

DEVIL'S DEN STATE PARK

Deep in a valley of the rugged Boston Mountains of northwest Arkansas is Devil's Den State Park. This 2,500-acre park provides some of the most spectacular Ozark Mountain scenery in the state. The park's creeks, crevices, caves, and overlooks connect you to the constant geologic forces that shape this rugged terrain. Lee Creek spills its cool, clear waters over the rocky valley floor with its downward flow, slowed only by a picturesque, native stone dam. The park cafe, store, and swimming pool overlook the peaceful, 8-acre lake formed by the dam. Modern and primitive campsites; picturesque cabins; picnic areas; hiking, equestrian and mountain biking trails; and fishing areas form a vacation setting second to none.

Lee Creek Valley was selected for a state park in 1933. The park's major facilities were constructed as a *Works Project Administration (WPA)* project by the *Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC)*. In the 1970s, the park underwent a major facelift during which the stone and log structures of the 1930s were renovated and preserved for use today and in the future.

Walk in the footsteps of the CCC here, where hard work and craftsmanship created a park that is seamless with the landscape. Whether you study the architecture, hike trails, attend interpretive programs, explore the valley's unique geologic formations, or lounge by the pool, memories of your stay here will bring you back time and again.

FACILITIES

Lodging ♦ Near the stream, along the rocky valley, are 17 rustic cabins ranging from studios, one, two, and three bedrooms with fully-equipped kitchens plus air-conditioning and heat. Sit in front of a stone fireplace on a chilly evening, or sit outside and listen to the chatter of wildlife. (Fireplaces are open seasonally.)

For the more rustic at heart, nine camper cabins are located in Area B. These single room cabins have a queen bed, bunk beds, a table, and chairs. They are heated and air conditioned and sleep up to four people. Each cabin has an attached front porch, a grill, and a campfire ring for outdoor cooking. These cabins are built around a common bathhouse. (Linens are not provided.)

Camping ♦ Along the valley floor, 117 sites offer camping at its best. Many sites have electrical, water, and sewer hookups. A sanitary trailer dump

station is located near area E. Hike-in campsites are available for the adventuresome and a group area is reservable. Bring **your** horse and use the horse camp located near riding trails that meander through the Ozark National Forest. **Horse rental/rides are not available.** All horse sites have water and electrical hookups. Campers **must** register at the visitor center **before** occupying a campsite. All sites are reservable and may be reserved up to one year in advance. Please call or look online to check availability.

Food Services ♦ The Ridge Runner Café, a gift shop, and a store with camping and picnicking supplies are housed in a rustic log and stone building overlooking the lake. **These facilities are open seasonally. Please check with the park for specific hours of operation.**

Other Facilities ♦ The visitor center houses exhibits, an audiovisual room, and park offices. Scenic picnic areas with tables and grills, a group pavilion (reserve at the visitor center before use; deposit required), restrooms, and swimming pool (open during summer) are located in the heart of the park. Paddle boats and canoes may be rented near the pool during summer. Medical services are available in Fayetteville (28 miles). Gas stations and other conveniences are **20 minutes** away at West Fork or Winslow.

INTERPRETIVE SERVICES

Programs ♦ Park interpreters provide programs year round. Depending on the season, these include guided hikes, history and nature talks, afternoon recreation games, and evening programs at an outdoor amphitheater or at the visitor center. Children ages 7-14 may participate in the park's Explorer Program. Schools, scouts, and other organized groups may request special programs in advance to meet special interests year round.

Trails ♦ Miles of hiking and multiple use trails wind through the park and surrounding Ozark National Forest. Take a wet hike down Lee Creek or get away from it all on the 15-mile **Butterfield Hiking Trail**. Hikers need to register for a free permit at the visitor center before embarking on this trail or others leading into the National Forest. The scenic **Devil's Den Trail** winds past the rugged geologic formations that gave the park its name. **Fossil Flats** and other **Monument Trails** offer miles of bike and hike adventures. Equestrian trails are also available. Pick up trail booklets and maps at the visitor center.

Special Events ♦ Birding programs, Northwest Arkansas Mountain Bike Championships, and Bat-O-Rama are among the special events offered at the park each year to show off the beauty of the Ozarks. Visit ArkansasStateParks.com for details.

Watchable Wildlife ♦ There are many opportunities for viewing the wild inhabitants of Devil's Den. A variety of birds, mammals, and reptiles make the park their home. Some good viewing areas are indicated on the map side of this brochure. A good time for catching glimpses of wildlife, which include groundhogs, beavers, vultures, ducks, deer, songbirds, armadillos, foxes, and more, is at dawn and dusk. **Remember:** This is the animals' home and all wildlife is protected in the park.

LOCATION

From I-49, drive 8 miles south of Fayetteville. Take State Hwy. 170 at West Fork (Exit #53) 17 miles to the park; OR, from I-49 near Winslow, take State Hwy. 74 (Exit #45), 7 miles west to the park. **(NOTE: No gas stations are available on Highway 74 or at the park. Large trailers should not use Hwy. 74 from Winslow to the park, due to steep and winding roads.)**

For general information on park hours, fees, and reservations services, contact between 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily:

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For reservations, book online or call.



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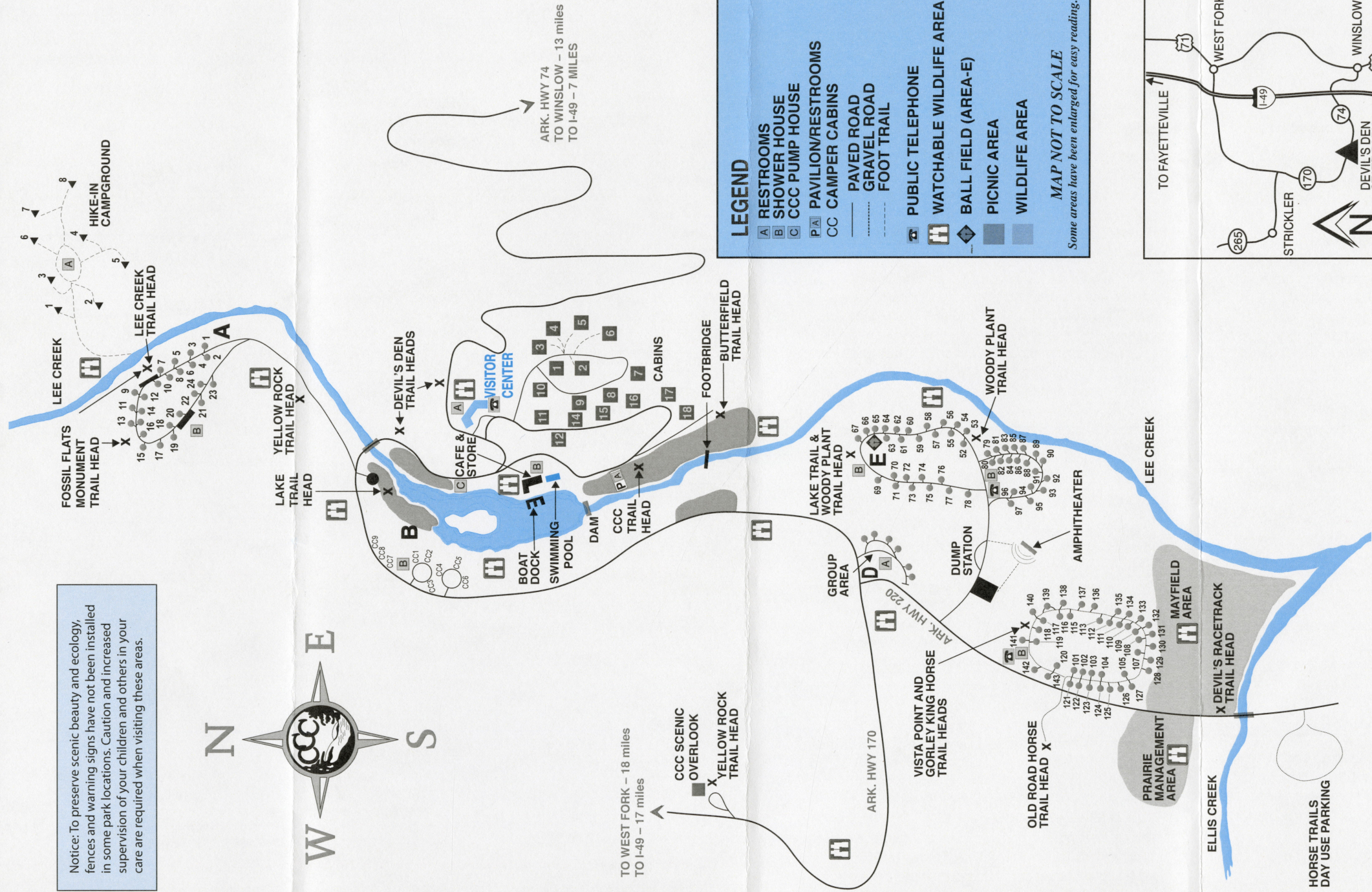
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Notice: To preserve scenic beauty and ecology, fences and warning signs have not been installed in some park locations. Caution and increased supervision of your children and others in your care are required when visiting these areas.



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